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Date: May 10, 2021

Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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In compliance with Rube reimbursed/paid for			sures with respect to	travel expenses that have been or will
☐ A <u>copy</u> of the <i>Prive</i>	ate Sponsor Travel Ce	rization (Form RE-1), A rtification Form with all	attachments (itinera	ry, invitee list, etc.)
Private Sponsor(s) (lis	t all): South Florida	Agricultural Foundat	ion, Inc.	
Travel date(s): April 6	6, 2021 through Ap	oril 9,2021		
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☐ Good Faith Estimate ☑ Actual Amount	Airfare: \$231.75 Air boat: \$20.83 Bus: \$100.16	Clewiston: \$219.98 West Palm Beach: \$205.00	Total: \$157.88	Reimb. to/from airport: \$16.46
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Provide a description necessary.): See atta		rents attended. See Senate	Rule 35.2(c)(6). (A	Attach additional pages if
5/10/21	Harrison	Walker	Ha	min Malber
(Date)		name of traveler)		(Signature of traveler)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER:

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the Employee Pre-Travel Authorization form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

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Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220. Incomplete and late travel submissions will not be considered or approved. This

Date	Date/Time Stamp:				

Form RE-1

form must be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Control of the chics. senate. gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel substitute of the control of the co	mmittee's website
equired post-travel disclosure.	
Name of Traveler:	rrison Walker
Employing Office/Committee:	Senator Thom Tillis
South Florida Agricultural Fourivate Sponsor(s) (list all):	indation
Tuesday, April 6 through Friday, April 9, 1	2021
Note: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you n	nust notify the Committee.
West Palm Beach, FL; Clewiston, FL (w/	site visits in Belle Glade & Boynton Beach, FL)
Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's o	official or representational duties:
Harrison works on the agriculture policy portfolio for Senator Tillis. The and the impact of federal agriculture policy outside of North Carolina and understanding back to the constituents of North Carolina.	
Name of accompanying family member (if any): N/A Relationship to Employee: Spouse Child Certify that the information contained in this form is true, comp	plete and correct to the best of my knowledge:
(Date)	(Signature of Employee)
TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING SENATOR/OFFICER (Presecretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain): Senator Thom Tillis hereby author (Print Senator's/Officer's Name)	Harrison Walker orize
an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not creativate gain.	determined that this travel is in connection with his or her
have also determined that the attendance of the employee's specific the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box)	ouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation (Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)
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Walker, Harrison (Tillis)

From: Cheryl Klimek < Cheryl@soflagfoundation.org >

Sent: Monday, March 22, 2021 2:31 PM

To: Walker, Harrison (Tillis)

Subject: Please Join Us - RESCHEDULED South Florida Ag Tour

Attachments: SFAF Staff Tour Itinerary_April.2021.pdf

Good afternoon Harrison,

The **South Florida Agricultural Foundation**, Inc., a non-profit organization founded to increase public awareness of South Florida's agricultural industries — including sugarcane, citrus, sweet corn, rice, celery and other crops — through educational and stewardship opportunities, is sponsoring a congressional staff trip to our area on April 6-9, 2021. The purpose of this **Ag-venture** is to give staffers an opportunity to tour South Florida's agricultural industry gaining firsthand knowledge of its impact on Florida and the United States. Due to last-minute committee meetings being scheduled during the week we had originally planned, we decided to reschedule during another district week.

The Foundation would like to extend an invitation to you to participate in this trip. Please find the updated itinerary attached, and you can also check out our website at www.soflagfoundation.org, where you can see the educational opportunities our past tour participants had.

Tour participants depart from Ronald Reagan National Airport to Palm Beach International Airport where Foundation staff and a chartered bus will meet them. We'll kickoff the tour by traveling west to the Everglades Agricultural Area and there will even be an ecological AIR BOAT TOUR on Lake Okeechobee, the heart of a number of Florida's water issues. Other stops during the tour will include citrus groves, sugarcane field operations and mill, and other vegetable planting and harvesting operations. The Foundation will cover the cost of all travel, lodging and meal expenses associated with the trip and will provide all necessary documentation for the Ethics Committee.

Florida is known as a premier tourist destination with its miles of sandy beaches, but few people know of its abundant agricultural interests and its vital role in food production. In the South Florida region, Palm Beach County alone generates nearly one-and-a-half billion dollars in total agricultural sales each year, ranking it among the top ten counties for highest agricultural revenue in the nation. While Florida has three million acres devoted to agriculture, Palm Beach County has more agriculture than any other county with 40% of its land actively farmed. Florida food is exported to 170 different countries to the tune of \$4 billion worth of food products.

We hope you will be able to join the Foundation on this fact-finding trip. We believe it will be a worthwhile experience and that you will gain a better understanding of the Florida agricultural industry and other agreelated issues that you work with on a daily basis.

Be assured that we will be following all CDC guidelines regarding Covid-19 virus precautions and protocols necessary to keep everyone safe and healthy. We will share more details upon your RSVP.

Most of the people who were scheduled for the last tour are on the list for this one, but we do have a few openings. Please RSVP ASAP for this exciting *Ag-venture* and we'll get you the ethics forms right away, as they are due by MONDAY, MARCH 8. You are welcome to include or send instead the member of your staff who handles agricultural issues, if you do not. Feel free to contact us at 561-315-0481 if you have any questions. Hope to see you in APRIL!

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Board President





Cheryl Klimek, Executive Director
P.O.Box 1952, West Palm Beach, FL 33402
561-315-0481 www.soflagfoundation.org

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

This form must be completed by any private entity offering to provide travel or reimbursement for travel to Senate Members, officers, or employees (Senate Rule 35, clause 2). Each sponsor of a fact-finding trip must sign the completed form. The trip sponsor(s) must provide a copy of the completed form to each invited Senate traveler, who will then forward it to the Ethics Committee with any other required materials. The trip sponsor(s) should **NOT** submit the form directly to the Ethics Committee. Please consult the accompanying instructions for more detailed definitions and other key information.

The Senate Member, officer, or employee MUST also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

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Ι.	Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): South Florida Agricultural Foundation
2.	Description of the trip: Fact-finding, informational tour of the South Florida agricultural industry including
	observation of harvesting operations and one on one discussions with local farmers.
3.	Dates of travel: Tuesday, April 6 through Friday, April 9, 2021
4.	Place of travel: West Palm Beach, FL; Clewiston, FL (w/site visits in Belle Glade & Boynton Beach, FL)
5.	Name and title of Senate invitees: See attached - SFAF April 2021 Senate Staff Tour Invitation List
б.	I certify that the trip fits one of the following categories: (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip. -OR-
	(B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (see question 9).
7,	I certify that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.
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	I certify that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
8.	I certify that: The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for de minimis lobbyist involvement. -AND-
	The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (see question 9).

USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B) I certify that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies:
 (A) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and one overnight stay) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Mer officer, or employee on any segment of the trip. − OR →
 (B) The trip is for attendance or participation in a one-day event (exclusive of travel time and two overnight stays) and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee on any segment of the trip (see questions 6 and 10). −OR −
(C) The trip is being sponsored only by an organization or organizations designated under § 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and no registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal vaccompany the Member, officer, or employee at any point throughout the trip.
USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B) If the trip includes two overnight stays, please explain why the second night is practically required for Senate invitees to participate in the travel:
An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I certify that the attached itinerary is a detailed (ho by-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip.
Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:
The South Florida Agricultural Foundation is the sole sponsor and organizer of the trip.
Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission
The mission of the South Florida Agricultural Foundation is to provide educational and stewardship
opportunities within the South Florida agricultural industry, including sugarcane, citrus, sweet corn,
celery, rice & other local crops, in an area which ranks in the top 10 in the nation for agricultural revenue
celery, rice & other local crops, in an area which ranks in the top 10 in the nation for agricultural revenue Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips: This will be the eighth congressional trip since January 2017 sponsored by the South Florida Agricultural revenues and trips are sponsored by the South Florida Agricultural revenues and trips.

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2. Located near the farms and the airport at the eastern end of the tour route

Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants 21. compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel: The daily expenses for lodging and meals are at or below the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government Travel. Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary: Travel provided: coach-class airfare roundtrip Washington DC to West Palm Bch on American Airlines, by standard coach 38-passenger bus local travel, taxi or ride-share from pers residence in DC to/from airport 23. I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35). List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event: None I hereby certify that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (For trips involving more than one sponsor, you must include a completed signature page for each additional sponsor): Signature of Travel Sponsor: Name and Title: Ardis Hammock, President Name of Organization: South Florida Agricultural Foundation, Inc. P. O. Box 1952, West Palm Beach, FL 33402 Address: Telephone Number: 561-315-0481

Fax Number:

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Date: May 10, 2021

E-mail Address: cheryl@soflagfoundation.org

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South Florida Agricultural Foundation (SFAF) ITINERARY 2021 Congressional Staff Tour April 6-9, 2021

*Note: All food/catering/transportation/lodging is paid for by the South Florida Agricultural Foundation

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

3:00 – 5:38 PM	Depart Washington-Reagan National Airport on American Airlines Flight #4877.
5:38 – 6:00 PM	Arrive Palm Beach International Airport. SFAF group leaders will meet guests at the West
	Paim Beach airport, locate luggage, board bus. Guests will be transported by bus for the rest of the trip.
6:00 - 7:15 PM	Bus drives through the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA), points of interest along the
	way include the Sem-Chi Rice Plant, Florida Crystals sugarcane fields, the Sugarcane
	Growers Cooperative Mill and lettuce, sweet corn and sugarcane fields at various stages
	of growth. A video presentation about how sugarcane is grown and harvested will be
	shown during the ride.
7:15 PM	Arrive at Roland Martin Marina in Clewiston.
7:15 - 7:20 PM	Check into Roland Martin Marina hotel, prepare for dinner presentation.
8:00 - 9:30 PM	Depart hotel, drive/walk to Staghorn Kitchen. Meet local city and county
	elected officials during networking reception and dinner. Approximately one hour during
	dinner will feature the mayor of Clewiston speaking on how important agriculture is to
	the financial prosperity of the city and the county commissioners present will discuss the
	effects of Covid on the agricultural community and other issues rural areas are facing.
9:30 PM	Return to Marina hotel.

Wednesday, April 7, 2021

8:00 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast at hotel provided by SFAF and board bus.
8:30 AM	Bus departs Roland Martin Marina hotel; travel to sugarcane fields.
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Tour Sugarcane Field operations and harvesting, Les Baucum, agronomist with U. S. Sugar, will discuss compliance of worker protection standards, burning regulations, pesticide and herbicide issues and other Federal regulations that have an impact on the cost and procedures of farming sugarcane. Demostration of how drones are used in the agricultural fields. Stop by pump station for discussion regarding water quality standards.
12:00 - 1:00 PM	Picnic lunch at Clewiston Civic Park provided by SFAF. Discussion about Clewiston's agricultural history during lunch.
1:00 - 1:15 PM	Travel to U. S. Sugar Mill and Refinery, Clewiston.
1:15 - 3:00 PM	Arrive at U. S. Sugar Corp. Mill and Refinery for tour of sugarcane processing procedures led by Ryan Duffy, Dir. of Corporate Communications, U. S. Sugar. Discussion will include compliance with OSHA and federal air quality standards, while the refinery will focus on FDA food safety and labeling issues. Tour of packaging facilities.
3:00 – 3:15 PM	Depart mill, travel to Roland Martin Marina Marina hotel, prepare for citrus tour and dinner presentation.
4:30 PM	Depart hotel, drive to Southern Gardens Citrus in Clewiston.
4:45 — 5:45 PM	Southern Gardens Citrus grove stop, Jim Snively, Vice President of Citrus Groves, will discuss citrus greening, hurricanes and other issues destructive to citrus crops, and how they work with the USDA's APHIS (Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service) to develop new citrus varieties and combat citrus diseases.

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6:00 – 6:30 PM Arrive at Swindle Farms in Clewiston for welcome reception and opportunity to speak

one-on-one with local farmers who grow sugarcane, corn, green beans, kale and broccoli.

This is an actual working sugarcane farm owned by an independent grower.

6:35 – 9:00 PM Working dinner where Judy Sanchez, Sr. Dir. of Corporate Communications, U.S. Sugar,

and member of the Agricultural Technical Advisory Committee for Trade in Sweeteners and Sweetener Products, will give a presentation on American Farm Policy & Trade, discussing the farm bill, NAFTA and other trade issues. Carl Stringer, Vice President, IT Operations, U.S. Sugar, will illustrate how technology is used in farming. SFAF Board President Ardis Hammock will introduce the farmers present and each will speak 5-10 minutes on the history of their farm and the produce they grow, showcasing the diversity of crops produced in the area. Staffers will be formally introduced to all the farmers. SFAF will purchase steaks cooked by Hendry County Cattlemen's Association. Approximately

two hours will be spent on the listed activities and presentations.

9:00 PM Return to Roland Martin Marina hotel.

Meet in hotel lobby.

Thursday, April 8, 2021

6:45 PM

8:00 - 8:30 AM	Breakfast at hotel provided by SFAF and board bus.
8:30 AM	Bus departs Roland Martin Marina hotel.
8:30 - 9:00 AM	Travel to Belle Glade to A. Duda & Sons.
9:00 - 11:00 AM	Tour of A. Duda & Sons led by Sam Jones, General Manager, showcasing the farming
	operations where celery, radishes, lettuce and other produce is grown. The group will go
	out into the field and observe the harvesting of celery while discussing food safety and
	workforce issues.
11:00 - 11:30 AM	Travel to TKM Bengard Farms, LLC, also in Belle Glade.
11:30 AM - 12:15 PM	Stephen Basore, one of six brothers who run the farm, will lead the tour of TKM Bengard
	Farms, LLC, the largest lettuce grower east of the Mississippi that sells produce to major
	processors and retailers that in turn, distribute to supermarkets, schools, and restaurants
	across the country. He will discuss transportation issues that affect his company.
12:15 - 12:30 pm	Travel to Everglades Equipment Group
12:30 - 1:15 PM	Working lunch at Everglades Equipment Group, largest John Deere tractor dealer in
	Florida. Jason Tucker will discuss issues with Tier 4 tractor emissions required in the U.S.
	compared to other countries and how Covid has affected their business operations.
1:15 - 1:30 PM	Travel to Slim's Fish Camp in Belle Glade for airboat tour of Lake Okeechobee.
1:30 – 3:30 PM	Depart from dock on airboat for tour of Lake Okeechobee; Boats will stop out on the lake
	where Terrie Bates, a water resource specialist that assists the agriculture industry in the
	Lake Okeechobee and Everglades watershed in matters related to Flood Protection,
	Water Supply and Stormwater Management, will explain the relationship between the
	lake and agriculture, discuss water quality and quantity issues and how EAA farmers must
	comply with federal water regulations. She will address questions from staffers, Airboats
	will return back to the dock.
3:30 - 4:45 PM	Depart Slim's Fish Camp to travel to West Palm Beach. Travel through EAA.
4:45 – 5:00 PM	Check in at Canopy by Hilton Hotel, West Palm Beach, prepare for dinner and evening
	program.
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6:45 – 7:00 PM Board bus and depart for dinner.

7:00 – 9:00 PM Working dinner at Batch New Southern Kitchen, West Palm Beach, farm-to-table

restaurant featuring local produce. Palm Beach County Commissioner Melissa McKinlay, who represents the area where the western county farms and some of the eastern farms are located, will discuss the importance of agriculture as an economic driver for Palm Beach County. A representative of Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will speak about the importance of the Everglades Agricultural Area to the State of Florida and the challenges the state has coordinating with federal agricultural

regulations.

9:00 PM Return to Canopy by Hilton Hotel.

Friday, April 9, 2021

1:50 - 5:59 PM

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8:00 – 8:45 AM	Working breakfast at hotel, overview discussion of ag operations tour from the previous
	day. Explain format for morning discussions so staff can be prepared to ask questions during the round table.
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8:45 - 8:50 AM	Check out of Hotel and load bus for tour.
8:50 AM	Bus departs
8:50 – 9:25 AM	Drive to Bedner's Farm Fresh Market in Western Boynton Beach.
9:25 AM	Arrive at Bedner's Farm Fresh Market, one of the few remaining family owned and
	operated farmer's markets in South Florida, bringing fresh produce to customers from the farm, grown right outside their back door.
9:30 - 10:00 AM	Tour of Bedner's U-Pick farm on tractor-pulled wagon in fields of strawberries, peppers
	and tomatoes adjacent to the Everglades. David Legg, an educator/tour guide, will explain
	just how much of the earth's surface is available for farming, highlighting how important
	even small farms such as theirs is and how a farm can co-exist next to a federal water
	refuge, following the regulations required and still provide a safe affordable food supply.
10:00 - 11:00 AM	One-on-one roundtable discussion with farmer members of Florida Farm Bureau's eastern
10.00 11.007.114	Palm Beach County region moderated by Eva Webb, Assistant Director Field Services,
	Florida Farm Bureau Federation. Farmers representing sweet corn, green beans, peppers,
	tomatoes and other vegetables, nursery operations and agricultural research will discuss
	issues with federal pest management regulations, H2A worker programs, wage and labor
	compliance, NAFTA and how farming is impacted by state and federal issues.
11:00 - 11:40 AM	Working lunch provided by SFAF purchased from local farms. Marie Bedner will give an
	overview of Bedner's farming operations and explain how Covid changed Bedner's
	business plan from u-pick to pick up boxes and how much food went to waste during the
	initial Covid lockdown. She will introduce farmers who will participate in the roundtable
	discussions.
11:45 AM	Bus departs
11:45 AM - 12:15 PM	Travel to Palm Beach International Airport

Depart Palm Beach International Airport Depart for Washington-Reagan National Airport

on American Airlines Flight #1841, connecting on Flight #1775 in Charlotte.

Arrive Washington-Reagan National Airport.

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